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Dear Ms. Roberts:

You ask whether certain information is subject to required public disclosure under the Texas Open Records Act, Government Code chapter 552. We assigned your request ID# 28357.

The City of Galveston (the "city") has received a request for "a print-out of all city employees' addresses, so that we may send them a Greeting Letter from their new local union." You seek to withhold some of the requested information under section 552.117 of the Government Code.

In pertinent part, section 552.117 excepts from disclosure the home addresses and telephone numbers of all peace officers, as defined by article 2.12 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and the home addresses and telephone numbers of all current or former officials or employees of a governmental body who request that this information be kept confidential under section 552.024. Therefore, section 552.117 requires you to withhold any home address or telephone number of a peace officer that appears in the requested documents. In addition, section 552.117 requires you to withhold any home address or telephone number of an official or employee who requested that this information be kept confidential under section 552.024.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>You may not, however, withhold the home address or telephone number of an official or employee who made the request for confidentiality under section 552.024 after this request for the documents was made. Whether a particular piece of information is public must be determined at the time the request for it is made. Open Records Decision No. 530 (1989) at 5.

Because case law and prior published open records decisions resolve your request, we are resolving this matter with this informal letter ruling rather than with a published open records decision. If you have questions about this ruling, please contact this office.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Loretta DeHay", written in a cursive style.

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